

## Preparation key to receiving financial aid

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Are you interested in continuing your education overseas? There are many opportunities available in the form of scholarships, bursaries and other forms of financial aid which can make this possible. Your undergraduate degree is a key which can open many doors and, all that is required is a little digging and much preparation.

Preparation is a key word here. While many opportunities still do exist, there are a number of factors which make going overseas to study more difficult today than in previous years.

Primarily, there is an increasing chauvinism within many countries which makes it difficult for foreign students to find enrollment. As well, tuition costs are much higher for foreign students in comparison with both costs in Canada, and with these costs a few years ago.

In Britain for example, tuition which ten to fifteen years ago ran from fifty to sixty pounds, now runs from five thousand to ten thousand pounds. In addition to these costs, the expense of getting there have also increased, so the economics of the situation can be quite limiting.

In previous years, one could almost literally, land on the shore, find a job, and work his way through school. Today however, visa restrictions make this difficult if not impossible.

France is a very good example, for they now not only require a visa for foreigners to work there, but also to travel within the country if you reside outside of the EEC.

These barriers are not insurmountable. However, because it is becoming more difficult to study abroad, a person interested in such a venture must be prepared to do his homework. Most importantly, you should know what you want to study.

With this in mind, the first step should be finding out what programs are available in your field and which universities offer them. Contact should then be made with these universities and if possible, with individual professors. By doing this you can learn of your acceptability as an applicant, the university's enrollment policies, and the availability of funding through them for you as a student.

This whole matter of funding is, of course, of vital interest. Basically, there are three levels of money sources beyond paying for all from your own pocketbook.

The first level includes general awards presented by the three national granting councils; the National Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC), the Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), and the Medical Research Council (MRC).

These councils however, are seriously restricting their sup-

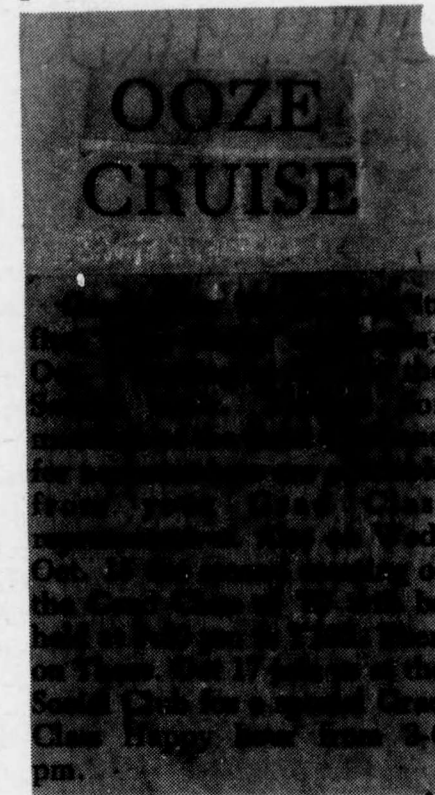
port for those who wish to leave the country. The choice of a foreign university then, must be justified and about the only acceptable reason is the unavailability of that course at a Canadian institution.

The next level of awards are those offered by the Association of Universities and Colleges in Canada. Included among these are the Commonwealth awards. To obtain more information about these you should go see the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research in the Old Arts Building.

The third level of funding sources include awards offered by private organizations, as well as financial support offered by the institution you wish to attend. For more information on possible sources of funding at this level, merely go to the library. There are vast resources of reference material which list literally thousands of awards.

As a general commentary then, know what you want to do well in advance. You should

apply eight to twelve months before the award or tenure deadline. This means that if you are now in your final undergraduate year, you should be starting the process of gathering information, making contacts, and filing applications.



## Patient captured

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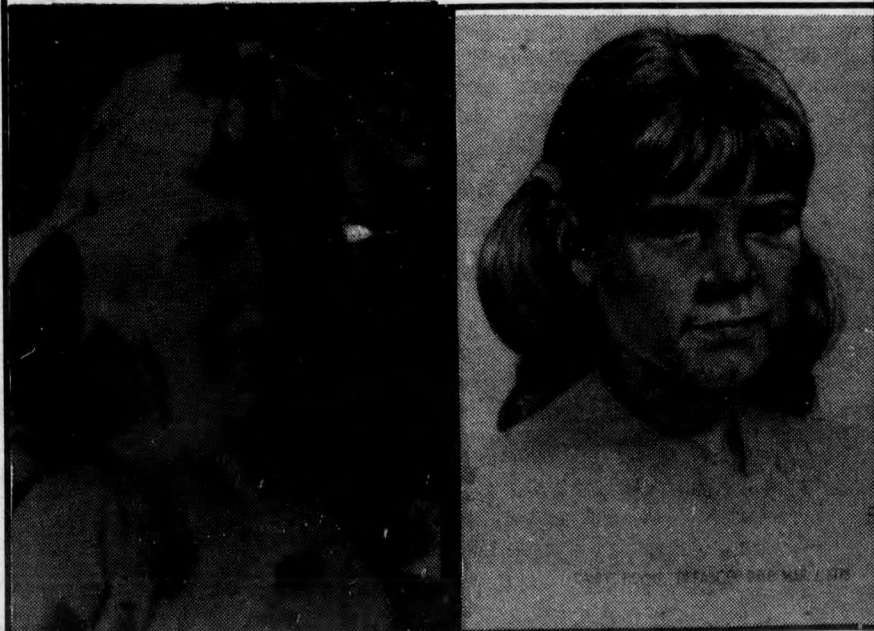
The dramatic arrival of several police cars on campus Tuesday night was in response to a call from staff at the DEC Hospital requesting assistance to restrain a hysterical mental patient.

The patient - a former cross country runner - managed to

give hospital staff the slip. By the time the police arrived, he was already on the UNB campus. However, his whereabouts was easily discovered and he was restrained with a minimum of force.

It is understood that the patient was waiting to be driven to Centra-Care in St. John when the incident occurred.

## HAVE YOU SEEN THIS GIRL?



Her name is DAISY REYNA artist's impression of DAISY at DEFALCO and she is 8 years old. DAISY is from Ottawa, Ontario and has been MISSING since October 26, 1980. If you have any information concerning the whereabouts of DAISY, please contact Earl at Childfind at 459-7520. The sketch (right) is a police

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